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What is claimed is:

1. A method of routing messages based on content comprising the steps of:
receiving messages from clients including response messages having a
response field, request messages having a request field, and else messages having
5 neither a response field nor a request field;

processing said response messages by determining if said response messages
have a sender id and sending said response messages to the sender id when present;

processing said request messages in accordance with contents of said request
fields and rules associated therewith including registering interest criteria for ones
10 of said clients for interest in ones of said else messages, said registering of interest
criteria including:

processing positive else registration requests by storing positive
else registration request data in a first set associated with a sender id of
the client sending said request message; and

15 processing negative else registration requests by storing negative
else registration request data in a second set associated with said sender
id of the client sending said request message; and

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processing else messages by the following steps for each respective one of said respective ones of said clients:

testing data of said else message for correspondence with said positive else registration data of said respective one of said clients;

5 testing data of said else message for correspondence with said negative else registration data of said respective one of said clients; and

10 sending said else message to said respective one of said clients only if there is correspondence with said positive else registration data of said respective one of said clients and there is not correspondence with said negative else registration data of said respective one of said clients.